

DUE PROCESS WITHDRAWALS SURVEY RESULTS
July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

The Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP) requested additional information regarding the reasons for withdrawal of due process hearings. At their request, the Division of Special Education mailed surveys to the individual that requested the withdrawal. Surveys were mailed on hearings withdrawn during the 2006-2007 school year and information was requested from any individuals that withdrew their hearing for the 2006-2007 school year.

Totals for 2006-2007: Sent out 48 survey letters. Letters were sent out as we received the withdrawal notice. We have received 15 back.

11 - Resolved the matter with the school district through:

- 7 - *Settlement agreement with the school district.
- 5 - Informally with the school district.

3 - Did not resolve the matter with the school district because:

- 1- Did not want to pursue a formal hearing.
- 1 - Had concerns about the process. Please explain:
 - *Every person you talk to cannot help you, no one can answer your questions, because of a conflict of interest. Then you received an overwhelming amount of information a week before the trial only to see how unprepared you are. This whole process is unfair. I never wanted my in Phase 2 classes. This whole system has only made him a poor student and an outcast in his own peer group. I hate everything about Special School District.*
- 0 - Had concerns about hearing officer selection. Please explain:
 - 1 - Had difficulty with the preparation of exhibits and paperwork. Please explain:
 - *School district objected to use of school file documents as exhibits and hearing officer indicated they might not be considered because they were not identified exhibits three days before hearing. Withdrew without prejudice – will refile this.*

1 - I withdrew the hearing request for the following reason not listed above. Please explain:

- *I basically got the accommodations I was asking for and still am very confused over the whole procedure and believe I may have been ill prepared to have gone on further.*

NOTE: Some individuals checked more than one category.

*** A Settlement agreement is where the parties have resolved the issues to their satisfaction.**